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SOFIA FOR NARCOTICS COORDINATOR FROM WALTZ; PARIS FOR DEA;
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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: LIAISON--BULGARIA

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1. APPRECIATE DIFFICULTIES ASSOCIATED WITH ARRANGING JUNE
VISIT TO SOFIA. IF APPOINTMENT POSSIBLE IN EARLY JUNE WITH
SUBJECTS MENTIONED IN PAR 2 OF REFTEL B, WALTZ WOULD DISCUSS
ALLEGED MAJOR NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING BY SPECIFIC SOFIA
RESIDENTS WHO REPORTEDLY BROKER ILLICIT DRUG SHIPMENTS
FROM ASIA TO WESTERN EUROPE. A CHANNEL FOR FORWARDING
TO APPROPRIATE POLICE OR CUSTOMS OFFICES GENERAL
INVESTIGATIVE DATA, AS WELL AS URGENT ACTIONABLE DATA,
WOULD BE DISCUSSED WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS AND ANY APPROPRIATE
GOB ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS MENTIONED IN REFTEL B WHO
WOULD BE AVAILABLE. REGRET THAT NARCOTICS COORDINATOR
LEE WILL BE ABSENT FROM SOFIA IN JUNE. IF VISA FOR
BULGARIA OBTAINABLE HERE BY MAY 26, WALTZ WOULD CONSIDER
POSSIBLE VISIT SOFIA THAT WEEK, PRIOR TO DEPARTURE LEE.

2. IN ANY EVENT, VISIT WITH SOFIA EMBASSY TO DISCUSS
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OPERATIONAL LIAISON OF DEA WITH BULGARIANS BELIEVED

TO BE NEEDED NOW. ANY APPROPRIATE DISCUSSIONS, WITH
OFFICIALS REFERRED TO ABOVE, WHICH EMBASSY CAN ARRANGE
PRIOR TO JUNE 26 CONFERENCE IN VIENNA WILL ENHANCE
POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR FUTURE BILATERAL LIAISON.
REQUEST THAT IN CONTACTS WITH GOB OFFICIALS EMBASSY
NOT REPEAT NOT REFER TO SCHEDULED AMERICAN PARTICIPATION
IN VIENNA CONFERENCE WHICH GOA INTERIOR MINISTRY IS
ARRANGING.

3. ANTICIPATED FUTURE MORPHINE BASE SHIPMENTS FROM
TURKEY TO WESTERN EUROPE THIS SUMMER ALSO ADD TO URGENCY
WALTZ ATTEMPT DEVELOP CHANNEL FOR FORWARDING ACTIONABLE
INFORMATION ON NARCOTICS TRANSPORTS AND BROKERS WITHIN
BULGARIA TO APPROPRIATE GOB OFFICIALS. BUCHANAN

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